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 was a hoax. *Reuters* (See item <u>15</u>)
- A huge fire with two explosions at a new school in Tulsa, Oklahoma, sent eight firefighters to the hospital and caused \$8 million in damage. *KOKI 23 Tulsa* (See item 28)
- A chemist accused of failing to follow protocols at a Massachusetts crime lab had been involved in testing 50,000 drug samples, potentially opening the door to a swath of legal challenges, officials said. CNN (See item 37)
- Two Texas prisons that have had serious problems with cellphones being smuggled to inmates are getting electronic help to block phone calls coming from inside the lockups. –
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- A new report found that globally, people lost \$110 billion to cybercrime in 2011, with about 71 million U.S. consumers losing \$20.7 billion. *ZDNet* (See item 45)

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Energy Sector

1. September 6, Associated Press – (California) Smaller blaze occurred before CA refinery fire. A report said a smaller fire was extinguished shortly before a massive blaze at a Chevron Corp. refinery in Northern California in August. The report given to Contra Costa County officials by Chevron September 5 said there was a small fire at the refinery about 10 minutes before the larger blaze. The blaze knocked an important refinery unit offline, reducing the facility's production and sending thousands of people to hospitals with breathing and eye irritation complaints. The fire was caused by a leaking 8-inch pipe but investigators also were looking into the composition of a white cloud that formed minutes before the blaze. The report cast doubt on whether the cloud consisted of flammable hydrocarbon vapor, suggesting it was mostly steam from firefighters knocking down the smaller blaze.

Source: http://www.mercurynews.com/breaking-news/ci_21479840/smaller-blaze-occurred-before-ca-refinery-fire

2. September 6, WWL 4 New Orleans – (Louisiana) City council to call for Entergy investigation, 8,000 still without power in La. Entergy has come under scrutiny in the aftermath of Hurricane Isaac. September 6, the New Orleans city council called for an investigation of the utility company after hundreds of thousands of people questioned the company's response. A resolution will be discussed that will begin a fact-finding investigation into Entergy's preparation, response, and storm recovery efforts. In all, more than 8,000 customers across the State still did not have power as of the morning of September 6. It took 5 days for Entergy to restore power for much of the city. Power was knocked out again September 3. Nearly 11,000 people in the Central Business District and MidCity lost power when a substation went down.

Source: http://www.wwltv.com/news/local/orleans/City-council-to-call-for-Entergy-investigation-8000-still-without-power-in-La-168743526.html

3. September 5, Reuters – (National) Kinder's Southern gas pipeline approves some flow post-Isaac. Kinder Morgan Inc's Southern Natural Gas Co LLC is continuing facility inspections and has approved gas to flow at certain meter points after Hurricane Isaac forced some gas to be shut in the week of August 27, the company said in an online filing September 5. Operators along pipeline receipt points should not resume the flow of natural gas "until the point has been approved to flow, a nomination has been submitted to Southern, and scheduled by Southern," it said in the filing. Some 400 million cubic feet of gas per day remained offline as of August 30 due to the storm, the company said in a filing on that day. It was unclear how much natural gas, if any, remained offline. The filing did not specify, and a spokesman said that if it listed no production shut-ins, then those numbers were not available. Southern is a 7,600-milelong pipeline system that can deliver up to 3.7 billion cubic feet of gas supply per day from Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama and the Gulf of Mexico to markets in the Southeast, including major metropolitan areas.

Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/09/05/storm-isaac-kinder-southern-idINL2E8K548Z20120905

- 4. September 5, KTUU 2 Anchorage (Alaska) Natural gas leak secured at Enstar facility near ML&P Plant. Anchorage, Alaska police and firefighters responded to a natural gas leak September 5, which was subsequently secured at an Enstar facility adjacent to a Municipal Light and Power (ML&P) plant off the Glenn Highway near Muldoon. Anchorage Fire Department (AFD) dispatchers said they were notified by Enstar that the company had secured a gas leak in a pressure reduction facility at its Plant 2, near ML&P's Plant 1. No flames were reported. A police spokeswoman said police closed a frontage road near the facility at AFD's request. A ML&P spokesperson said non-essential Enstar personnel were evacuated from Plant 2, and that the leak appeared to be related to power outages following a powerful windstorm September 4. Source: http://articles.ktuu.com/2012-09-05/gas-leak 33624444
- 5. September 5, Associated Press (National) EPA grants 8 States clean gas waiver after Isaac. The U.S. Presidential administration is temporarily waiving clean gas requirements in eight States affected by Hurricane Isaac, the Associated Press reported September 5. Governors requested the waiver because fuel supplies from refineries in the Gulf area were disrupted by Isaac. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) administrator said extreme circumstances could cause a gas shortage. The waiver lets gas stations sell less environmentally friendly fuel, normally reserved for winter, in addition to the regular fuel they normally sell during summer, when ozone levels are higher. It covers Louisiana, Florida, Tennessee, South Carolina, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, and North Carolina. A temporary waiver issued the week of August 27 only applied to parts of Louisiana. Oil production in the Gulf of Mexico is ramping up after Isaac. The Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement said September 4 only 3.5 percent of Gulf oil platforms remain evacuated.

Source: http://ktar.com/23/1573043/EPA-grants-8-states-clean-gas-waiver-after-Isaac

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Chemical Industry Sector

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Nuclear Reactors, Materials and Waste Sector

6. September 5, Reuters – (International) Pentagon maps Japan radiation, says U.S. personnel safe. The Pentagon September 5 posted a Web site mapping the amount of radiation to which the tens of thousands of Americans in Japan at the time of 2011's earthquake and Fukushima nuclear disaster were exposed and said none of the doses posed health risks. The Web site showed radiation dosages between March 12 and May 11, 2011 at 13 locations in Japan where most of the nearly 70,000 U.S. military-affiliated population lived. It showed the highest rate of adult exposure at Camp Sendai, just north of Fukushima, where the estimated adult dose of whole body radiation was

0.12 rem and 1.20 for the thyroid. By comparison, a full-body CAT scan yields a whole body exposure of 5.0 rem. The Pentagon said that by the end of the year it will issue final radiation dose estimates, including estimates for some 8,000 people who had their external or internal radiation measured directly.

Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/09/05/us-usa-japan-radiation-idINBRE8841JV20120905

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Critical Manufacturing Sector

7. September 6, FOXBusiness – (National) Ford recalls more Escapes on engine issues. Ford recalled its brand new 2013 Escape for the third time in 2 months, once again citing engine problems that could lead to a fire, FOXBusiness reported September 6. The report includes 7,600 Escape vehicles equipped with 1.6 liter engines. The Detroit automaker said the cylinder head cup plug, also known as the freeze plug, in the engine's cooling system may become dislodged, resulting in "significant loss of engine coolant." As the coolant leaks, it could evaporate on the hot engine, causing the glycol to ignite and leading to an engine compartment fire. In July, Ford recalled 11,600 Escapes for faulty engine compartment fuel lines, and 10,000 for a brake pedal interference issue.

Source: http://www.foxbusiness.com/industries/2012/09/06/ford-recalls-another-6000-new-escapes-on-engine-issues/

8. September 5, Naperville Patch – (Illinois) No injuries after debris sparks fire in steel processing building. Debris sparked a fire inside of a steel processing building in Naperville, Illinois, September 5, causing about \$25,000 in damage. Employees were able to extinguish the fire prior to the fire department's arrival. "We had gone upstairs to have a meeting and when we were up there a spark landed on some debris," said a Promet Processing Corporation general manager. Due to the building's height and size, an air-boat was brought in from the nearby Aurora Fire Department to blow some of the lingering smoke out of the building.

 $Source: \underline{http://naperville.patch.com/articles/no-injuires-after-debris-sparks-fire-in-steel-processing-building\#photo-11241583}$

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Defense Industrial Base Sector

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Banking and Finance Sector

9. September 6, South Florida Business Journal – (Florida) Five charged in \$20M commodities investment fraud. Federal authorities unsealed a 22-count indictment September 5 charging five individuals in south Florida with running a \$20 million investment scam based on advertised high returns for investing in commodities trading. According to a news release from the U.S. attorney's office, they were charged with fraud, money laundering, and conspiracy. The news release alleged the defendants told investors they could make up to 33 percent returns within 105 days by profits from trading on fish, iron ore, and sugar through a company called Commodities Online, LLC. But the government alleges those advertisements were false, and the company had no profitable contracts for trading. The charges allege that the defendants actually siphoned off \$1.3 million for themselves, and failed to disclose that one of the company's principles had a felony record.

Source: http://www.bizjournals.com/southflorida/news/2012/09/05/five-charged-in-20m-commodities.html

10. September 6, Provo Daily Herald – (California) Suspects sought after Hollywoodstyle bank heist. Two masked gunmen managed to evade authorities after a bizarre bank heist in which they strapped what they said was a bomb to the bank manager's midsection and forced her to order employees to "take out all the money" from her branch in Los Angeles September 5. The bank robbers got away with an undisclosed amount of cash from the Bank of America when it opened. No arrests had been made as of early September 6. A Los Angeles County sheriff's bomb squad disabled the device, but investigators said it was not an explosive. The bank manager was snatched in front of her home and arrived at her workplace wearing a device the men had strapped to her stomach. The two men, who were armed with handguns and wore ski masks, took off in a two-door car, possibly a Kia, and remained at large. Businesses near the bank were evacuated for a few hours as a precaution.

Source: http://www.heraldextra.com/news/national/suspects-sought-after-hollywood-style-bank-heist/article c3b17e25-6690-54f6-8e0a-ce62237840d7.html

11. September 6, The H – (International) Online banking trojan has designs on chipTAN users. The Tatanga trojan has come up with a new way of ripping off online banking users in Germany by deceiving users of the chipTAN system, The H reported September 6. Transaction authentication numbers (TAN), are one-time authentication numbers generated and used to validate banking transactions. Tatanga already had a reputation for attacking mobile TAN systems (mTAN) that use SMS to send through a TAN number. ChipTAN is a different system that requires a bank card to be inserted into a device and then held against the screen. The bank then flashes the display to transfer data about the current transaction to the device, which generates a TAN for the current transaction. According to Trusteer, Tatanga can get the TAN number from a chipTAN user by tricking them into thinking the bank is testing the chipTAN system. When a user logs into their bank account, the trojan checks the user's account details and selects an account from which it can take the most money. It then begins a transfer, but to complete that transfer it needs a TAN. Tatanga injects code into the user's bank Web browsing explaining the bank is performing a chipTAN test. If the user follows

the instructions, they enter a TAN number into the system that Tatanga uses to complete its transaction. When the transaction is complete, Tatanga takes steps to obscure the transaction in the victim's transaction history.

Source: http://www.h-online.com/security/news/item/Online-banking-trojan-has-designs-on-chipTAN-users-1701688.html

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Transportation Sector

12. September 6, Global Security Newswire – (Massachusetts; National) Homeland Security testing new bioagent sensors in Boston subway line. The DHS has begun vetting several new bioagent detection systems that could one day be deployed at airports, subway stations, and other locations around the United States, Global Security Newswire reported September 6. Roughly 60 sensors have been dispersed in Boston subway stops. A first round of testing was conducted the week of August 27, and trials are expected to continue on a regular basis for 6-8 months, said a spokesman for the DHS Science and Technology Directorate. The tests are intended to determine whether sensors produced by four different companies could detect the terrorist release of a lethal biological agent. Homeland Security specialists, in this case, are releasing an inert, harmless bacteria after the subway line shuts down each day. Three of the devices being tried out check the air on a nonstop basis for changes to atmospheric content that would indicate a dangerous biological agent is present. The fourth type analyzes air samples to confirm the existence of such a threat, he said. The technologies could ultimately be acquired and installed by public health agencies, transit operations, and other organizations. Homeland Security's findings from the test program will be provided to those potential users. The sensors would be fielded indoors as a complement to devices already in place in about 30 cities under the department's Biowatch program.

Source: http://www.nti.org/gsn/article/homeland-security-testing-new-bioagent-sensors-boston-subway-line/

- 13. September 6, Associated Press (Nebraska) 2 kids, 2 drivers die in Nebraska bustruck crash. A school bus and a tractor-trailer collided in southern Nebraska killing two children and two drivers, and injuring at least four more children. Officials said the truck caught fire in the crash south of Blue Hill late the afternoon of September 5. The bus was carrying students from the Blue Hill Community School District. At least five were taken to nearby hospitals. A Nebraska State Patrol spokeswoman said the truck was hauling hay but had no details about the accident or the injured children.

 Source: http://www.beaumontenterprise.com/news/article/2-kids-2-drivers-die-in-Nebraska-bus-truck-crash-3844277.php
- 14. September 6, Fall River Herald News (Massachusetts) Rain-fed sinkhole snares Fall River trash truck. Heavy rain in Fall River, Massachusetts, September 5 closed roads, forced emergency crews to rescue some people from vehicles and homes, and opened up sinkholes all over the city, officials said. One sinkhole ate up one side of a new \$250,000 semi-automated trash truck up to the top of the tires. "The sinkhole was over

8 feet deep," said a department of community maintenance director. Roads were closed in Stafford Square — Quarry and Quequechan streets — where at least four vehicles were submerged. Between numerous stranded vehicles and several motor vehicle accidents, emergency medical service units were kept busy for about 3 hours. The Red Cross responded to Fall River, along with Massachusetts Emergency Management Agency officials who planned to assess damage and needs, the mayor said. Source: http://www.heraldnews.com/police and http://www.heraldnews.com/police and fire/x1402239486/Rain-fed-sinkhole-snares-Fall-River-trash-truck

- 15. September 6, Reuters (Pennsylvania) Philadelphia police investigating hoax in airplane diversion. A US Airways plane bound for Dallas was ordered back to Philadelphia International Airport in Philadelphia September 6 after police received a call about explosives on board that they later determined was a hoax. The incident began with a phone call to Philadelphia police, when a caller reported that a passenger on board the flight had illegal devices or a hazardous substance, according to authorities. The plane, Flight 1267, which had taken off for Dallas a short time earlier, was diverted back to the airport, authorities said. One passenger was taken from the plane for questioning. Authorities evacuated and searched the plane, found no explosives and later determined the initial call appeared to be a prank being played on the passenger. A spokesman for U.S. Airways said Flight 1267 eventually left for Dallas, after most of the original passengers reboarded the plane.

 Source: http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/09/06/us-usa-plane-philadelphia-idUSBRE8850S820120906
- 16. September 5, Associated Press (Maryland) NTSB says fatal train derailment in Maryland caused \$2.2 million in damage. Transportation officials said a train derailment in Ellicott City, Maryland, which resulted in the death of two young women, caused \$2.2 million in damage. The National Transportation Safety Board, which is investigating the accident, released a preliminary 1-page report September 5. The report does not state a cause of the accident that occurred August 20 and largely confirms what investigators had already said. The probable cause of the accident will be determined after a full investigation to be finished in 12-18 months. The train, which was carrying coal, was traveling at the authorized speed of 25 mph when it derailed. The two young women who died were sitting on a railroad bridge at the time of the derailment and were buried in coal.

Source:

http://www.therepublic.com/view/story/18d55b2cd48e406d9083a9288ad0f3c4/MD-Fatal-Train-Derailment

17. September 5, Reuters – (Ohio) Three anarchists plead guilty to Ohio bridge bomb plot. Three self-described anarchists pleaded guilty September 5 in an Ohio federal court to plotting to blow up a four-lane highway bridge near Cleveland in April, authorities said. The suspects pleaded guilty to conspiracy to use a weapon of mass destruction, attempted use of a weapon of mass destruction, and attempted use of an explosive device to destroy property used in interstate commerce, authorities said in a statement. The three guilty pleas came before a U.S. district judge who expects to sentence the men in November. All three had been scheduled to face trial September

17. Five men in all were accused of plotting to blow up a bridge 30 miles south of Cleveland that runs through Cuyahoga Valley National Park. A fourth suspect pleaded guilty in July to the attempted attack and agreed to testify against the others. The fifth suspect is undergoing competency testing.

Source: http://whtc.com/news/articles/2012/sep/05/three-suspects-plead-guilty-to-ohio-bridge-bombing-plot/

18. September 5, USA Today – (Virginia; Washington, D.C) Reagan near-miss prompts calls for more air-traffic control training. After a near-miss involving three planes at Ronald Reagan Washington National Airport in Arlington, Virginia, July 31, an air-traffic control supervisor said training is "less than zero" for guiding planes by radar at the airport, a National Transportation Safety Board report out September 5 said. One of the regional flights was running low on fuel while controllers required it to fly around the airport in the confusion, the report said. The Federal Aviation Administration's (FAA) chief operating officer has said that the agency is working with the National Air Traffic Control Association to determine what additional training is needed. He also said that while the pilot reported low fuel, the plane had more aboard than regulations require. The problem in the incident was a miscommunication between controllers that had two planes taking off from a runway where a third plane was approaching to land. But FAA's acting administrator later said that the planes were never on a collision course.

Source: http://travel.usatoday.com/flights/post/2012/09/reagan-near-miss-prompts-calls-for-more-air-traffic-control-training/839309/1

- 19. September 5, KOCO 5 Oklahoma City (Oklahoma) Acetylene explosion destroys welding shop in Woodward. Nobody was injured when a welding shop exploded in Woodward, Oklahoma, September 5, authorities said. The Woodward county emergency manager said the business was destroyed as a result of the acetylene explosion and was a total loss. Highway 412 on the west side of Woodward was closed down for 4 hours because of the explosion.

 Source: http://www.koco.com/news/oklahomanews/around-oklahoma/Acetylene-explosion-destroys-welding-shop-in-Woodward/-/12530084/16493920/-/kq3whg/-/index.html
- 20. September 3, Nashville Tennessean (Tennessee) Major lock repairs to stop river traffic. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is scheduled to close the Cheatham Lock in Ashland City, Tennessee, for a month starting in October to conduct \$3.5 million worth of repairs and maintenance, the Nashville Tennessean reported September 6. That means all upstream river traffic to Nashville and beyond will stop. No barges or boats will be able to pass. The closure has business owners who depend on the river for their economic livelihood stockpiling raw materials. The Tennessee Valley Authority's (TVA) Gallatin Fossil Plant burns 13,000 tons of coal a day. It all arrives by barge. A plant operations manager said that TVA has been busy stocking up. The vice president for strategic planning and sustainability for Nashville-based Ingram Barge Co. said the lock shutdown will hurt business. "Ingram moves nearly 500,000 tons of cargo through the Cheatham Lock each month," she said by email. "The closure of the Cheatham Lock temporarily brings traffic to a stop on the Cumberland River. This prevents

Ingram from transporting product and reduces the efficiency of our operation." Barge traffic will not be the only thing shut down by the lock closure. Recreational boat traffic also will not be able to pass through, meaning no river journeys between Nashville and Clarksville.

Source:

http://www.theleafchronicle.com/article/20120903/NEWS01/309040063/Major-lock-repairs-stop-river-traffic?odyssey=tab|topnews|text|Frontpage|http://www.theleafchronicle.com/article/20120903/NEWS01/309040063/Major-lock-repairs-stop-river-traffic?odyssey=tab-###

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Postal and Shipping Sector

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Agriculture and Food Sector

21. September 6, Newark Advocate – (Ohio) Disaster declaration to help area farmers. Most of the State of Ohio, including Licking County, was granted a natural disaster declaration that will allow eligible farmers access to federal assistance. The governor's office said September 5 that the U.S. Department of Agriculture granted the governor's request for the designation for 85 of Ohio's 88 counties. The governor made the request after severe heat, rainfall shortages, and other weather-related disasters affected large areas of Ohio during the spring and summer. The designation gives eligible farmers access to federal assistance such as emergency low-interest loans for crop losses, relief payments for non-insurable losses, and permission to cut hay for livestock from acreage otherwise set aside for conservation.

 $\underline{http://www.newarkadvocate.com/viewart/20120906/NEWS01/209060368/Disaster-\underline{declaration-help-area-farmers}}$

22. September 5, Indiana's News Center – (Indiana) All 92 Hoosier Counties designated natural disaster areas. The lieutenant governor and Indiana State executive director of the Farm Service Agency announced September 5 that all 92 Indiana counties were designated primary natural disaster areas by the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA). The USDA reviewed the Loss Assessment Reports and determined sufficient production losses to warrant such a declaration. Farmers in eligible counties have 8 months from the date of the declaration to apply for low interest loans from the USDA's Farm Service Agency. In addition to loan assistance, the USDA has also improved flexibility in the Conservation Reserve Program, making more livestock producers and landowners eligible for emergency haying and grazing.

Source: http://www.indianasnewscenter.com/news/political-radar/All-92-Hoosier-Counties-Designated-Natural-Disaster-Areas-168657936.html

23. September 4, Associated Press – (North Dakota) Hot, dry conditions continue to speed up row crops. Hot, dry conditions across North Dakota have spurred crop development in the State, but fall tillage may be put on hold due to a lack of moisture, the Associated Press reported September 4. The U.S. Department of Agriculture said in its weekly crop report that Durum wheat was 92 percent harvested while Canola was at 91 percent. Eighty percent of corn was dented, which is well ahead of the average of 37 percent. Topsoil moisture was rated 19 percent very short, 53 percent short, and 28 percent adequate. Pasture and range conditions were rated 16 percent very poor, 31 percent poor, 36 percent fair, and 17 percent good.

Source: http://bismarcktribune.com/news/state-and-regional/hot-dry-conditions-continue-to-speed-up-row-crops/article_ef8fa6aa-f709-11e1-9cbe-001a4bcf887a.html?comment_form=true

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Water Sector

24. September 6, WBTA 1490 AM Batavia – (New York) Government unveils clean up plan for chemical spill site in Holley. The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) unveiled a \$14.5 million plan to clean up the 2002 Diaz Chemical Company spill in Holley, New York. They outlined the cleanup plan September 5, it will focus on soil and groundwater which was contaminated at the site. Diaz Chemical operated at a former food processing plant from 1974 to 2003 when the company declared bankruptcy. The EPA spent \$8 million demolishing the Diaz facilities, shipping chemicals, and waste off site. The spill forced some nearby homeowners to abandon their homes. EPA officials said the cleanup is moving faster than normal. The project is set to be completed in 2014.

Source:

http://wbtai.com/LocalNews/tabid/115/articleType/ArticleView/articleId/2509/Government-Unveils-Clean-Up-Plan-For-Chemical-Spill-Site-In-Holley.aspx

25. September 6, Newark Star Ledger – (New Jersey) Work begins on \$10M replacement for broken Monmouth County water mains. New Jersey American Water developed a permanent replacement for the broken mains at its Swimming River Water Treatment Plant, the Newark Star-Ledger reported September 6. A bridge collapsed in June threatening the water supply to tens of thousands of Monmouth County residents. The bridge sustained damage during Tropical Storm Irene and was scheduled for repairs when the collapse occurred. Since then, the plant was pumping water through temporary mains laid on the shoulder of a county road. The proposed replacement, which would cost upwards of \$10 million, includes a series of pipes laid on the bottom of the Swimming River reservoir and the river in Middletown and Colts Neck, where the plant is located. The company also received approval the week of August 27 to

begin removing debris from the bottom of the river. About 200,000 people were left under a temporary boil water advisory as the company worked to restore pressure to its system. The temporary pipes were installed in the days that followed. Source:

http://www.nj.com/monmouth/index.ssf/2012/09/work_begins_on_10m_replacement_f or_broken_monmouth_county_water_mains.html

26. September 5, Rock Hill Herald Online – (South Carolina) Water restored in Fort Mill, school on for Thursday. County workers completed repairs to a leaking water main in Fort Mill, South Carolina, September 5 and service was restored, officials and residents told the Rock Hill Herald. However, an advisory was in effect until September 6 and residents were cautioned to boil tap water before consuming it until tests for bacteria are completed. The Fort Mill School District cancelled classes September 5 after a main water line owned by the county began to leak September 4, cutting off water pressure for nearby schools and homes. A notice from the district stated 5 of the district's 13 schools were without water. Many homes, including some in the Springfield community, were without water for about 19 hours. Officials estimate that about 400 customers in eastern York County were affected. Officials were unsure of the cause, but a 6-foot split along the top of the pipe caused a leak in the woods just off Highway 21. The pipe had to be dug out from the ground and replaced, said the York County public works director. After that, "it took a while for the water to clear the line, flush the system and let the pressure build back up." Source: http://www.heraldonline.com/2012/09/04/4235580/2-hour-delay-for-fort-millschools.html

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Public Health and Healthcare Sector

27. September 6, Minneapolis Star Tribune – (Minnesota) St. Cloud nurse charged with painkiller theft. A nurse who worked at St. Cloud Hospital in St. Cloud, Minnesota, for 17 years was charged with stealing a powerful narcotic from at least 23 patients for his own use and replacing the painkiller with salt water. He was charged September 4 in federal court with taking hydromorphone hydrochloride, a drug commonly sold as Dilaudid, which is used to relieve moderate to severe pain. For more than 3 months, from November 2010 to March 2011, the nurse sneaked into drug lockboxes at the hospital and withdrew the painkiller from intravenous bags intended for patients. To conceal some thefts, he refilled the bags with saline and returned them to the lockboxes. Along with being denied their prescribed painkiller, 23 patients in the same hospital unit developed infections because "there was contamination when the nurse removed the drugs from the IV [intravenous] bag," a hospital spokeswoman said. Source: http://www.startribune.com/local/168602096.html

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Government Facilities Sector

- 28. September 6, KOKI 23 Tulsa (Oklahoma) Federal fire investigators assist in school explosion. A massive fire with back to back explosions at a new charter school in Tulsa, Oklahoma, sent eight firefighters to the hospital early September 5. The explosions happened at Tulsa School of Arts and Sciences. Six firefighters were released and two are in the burn unit. Firefighters from across the city were rotating in and out to keep an eye on hot spots overnight into September 6. The damage is 40,000 square feet and is an estimated \$8 million loss. Firefighters said the explosion happened near the chemistry lab on the northeast end of the building. The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives activated its National Response Team to assist Tulsa fire in the investigation. Magnum Construction said workers installed a 9-inch fume hood in the chemistry lab the night of September 4. The vice president of the company said when workers left for the night they did not notice lit burners or visible flames. Source: http://www.fox23.com/news/local/story/Federal-fire-investigators-assist-in-school/k-Kdq_JdfUeFeQrKD3ZQtA.cspx
- 29. September 5, National Public Radio (Tennessee) Secret Service investigates claim that politician's tax returns were stolen. Investigators are working to determine the legitimacy of a claim that the Republican presidential candidate's tax records have been stolen from an accounting firm's records, National Public Radio reported September 5. Naming a \$1 million price, an anonymous ransom note was sent to accounting firm Pricewaterhouse Coopers. The letter, which was also posted online, states: "Using your Office... we were able to gain access to your network file servers and copy over the tax documents." The security breach was supposedly orchestrated at a Pricewaterhouse Coopers office in Franklin, Tennessee. As news of the potential ransom situation spread, the financial services firm said on Twitter September 5, "We are working with the Secret Service. At this time, there is no evidence of unauthorized access to our data." According to the Nashville Tennessean, packages containing ransom information and flash memory drives were delivered to the Williamson County Republican Party's offices, as well as its Democratic offices. The Nashville City Paper reports that the Secret Service has seized the packages and the thumb drives they included. The money is due by September 28, according to the note. A separate note states that the flash drives will be sent to major media outlets, as well. Source: http://www.npr.org/blogs/thetwo-way/2012/09/05/160634872/secret-service-

Source: http://www.npr.org/blogs/thetwo-way/2012/09/05/160634872/secret-service-investigates-claim-that-romneys-tax-returns-were-stolen

30. September 5, Associated Press – (Florida) Teen accused of school plot to plead no contest. A Tampa Bay, Florida teen is set to plead no contest to plotting to blow up his high school in 2011, the attorney for the teen informed a Hillsborough County judge September 5. He will officially enter the plea at an October 16 hearing. He faces charges of threatening to discharge a destructive device and attempting to discharge a destructive device with intention to harm. He was arrested in August 2011 after police say they found bomb-making materials and a "manifesto" outlining his plans in his home. Authorities said he was planning to bomb Freedom High School. The intent was to cause more casualties than the 1999 Columbine High School massacre, which resulted in 13 deaths before the two shooters killed themselves.

 $Source: \underline{http://www.ktvu.com/news/ap/crime/teen-accused-of-school-plot-to-plead-no-contest/nR4B3/}$

31. September 5, Agence France-Presse – (International) US embassy evacuated after Brussels bomb scare. The U.S. embassy and several Belgian government offices were evacuated September 5 after police found a suspect vehicle nearby but they later lifted the alert after a search. Police said a patrol noticed a suspicious vehicle around midday and called in the bomb squad, informing the U.S. embassy, which decided to evacuate staff as a precaution, including from the U.S. mission to the European Union, according to a mission spokesman. Police said the U.S. action was taken independently as a precaution while authorities ordered the evacuation of Belgian government offices. "There was nothing in the car, nothing suspect," a police spokeswoman said. "Given the area, however, we did not want to take any risk and so the army bomb squad was called in," she added. The alert disrupted traffic in central Brussels near the royal palace, an area that is home to many of the larger embassies. Source:

http://www.google.com/hostednews/afp/article/ALeqM5jbt6cckP2YY0Rqe1z1lUSLlnSxIw?docId=CNG.229e1ed397ce2fca388f424f0c2cc3ea.181

- 32. September 5, Associated Press (California) Man arrested at CA Marine base after fake threats. U.S. Marine Corps officials said a man arrested September 5 after driving up to an entry gate at its Miramar Air Station in San Diego made false threats to guards. A Marine captain said the man made the threats shortly after 1 p.m., and military officials closed the north gate as a precaution. All three gates at the base were opened by early evening. San Diego police searched the man's vehicle after arresting him. Source: http://www.sacbee.com/2012/09/05/4790567/man-arrested-at-ca-marine-base.html
- 33. September 5, Skagit Valley Herald (Washington) Teen arrested after school shooting threats on Facebook. A teenager from Mount Vernon, Washington, was arrested September 1 after his Facebook profile showed threats to commit a mass shooting at Mount Vernon High School on the first day of school. Children tipped off their parents to the threats August 31 when they saw warnings of a "Columbine attack" on the boy's Facebook profile, a Mount Vernon police lieutenant said. Commenters replied to the threats, saying they were not funny, but the alleged author said he was not kidding and that drugs were affecting his brain. Police traced the threat to the teen, who has a history of police contact and is known to have anger issues and unpredictable behavior, the lieutenant said. The teen was arrested for investigation of felony harassment and taken to Skagit County Juvenile Detention. He is not enrolled in any Mount Vernon school.

Source: http://www.goskagit.com/all_access/teen-arrested-after-school-shooting-threats-on-facebook/article-e4d9b189-a6c9-5fdd-8ac0-4e4328618b3e.html

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Emergency Services Sector

34. September 6, Associated Press – (Mississippi) Guilty plea, charges filed in deadly prison riot. One inmate pleaded guilty to participating in a deadly prison riot in Natchez, Mississippi, while a second prisoner was charged in the case, the Associated Press reported September 6. One guard was killed and 20 people were injured in the May 20 riot at the privately-run Adams County Correctional Facility, which holds illegal immigrants convicted of crimes in the United States. The second inmate was charged September 4. A complaint filed by an FBI agent said he assaulted a guard and helped other inmates climb onto the roof of a building where a correction officer was beaten to death. Another individual pleaded guilty August 27 and faces up to 10 years in prison at his November sentencing.

Source: http://www2.wjtv.com/news/2012/sep/06/guilty-plea-charges-filed-deadly-prison-riot-ar-4490790/

35. September 6, DNAinfo.com – (New York) Stolen motorcycles vanish from NYPD Auto Crime And Narcotics Division lot in the Bronx. Seven luxury motorcycles seized by the New York Police Department (NYPD) when it smashed a massive international bike theft ring during the summer of 2012 vanished from a police facility where they were stored, DNAinfo.com reported September 6. The bikes were discovered stolen September 3. The bikes, worth tens of thousands of dollars were stored in a box truck in the police facility's parking lot. The lot is not heavily protected, but does have a security guard booth near the entrance. It is apparently not manned by NYPD personnel. The missing motorcycles were part of 63 vehicles worth \$500,000 that were seized during a 17-month, multi-agency investigation spearheaded by the NYPD Auto Crime Division and the Manhattan District Attorney's Rackets Bureau, and which included several federal agencies. The probe culminated in the arrests of 33 suspects who authorities said were responsible for virtually all of the motorcycle thefts in the city.

Source: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2012/09/06/stolen-motorcycles-vanish-nypd-lot-bronx n 1861322.html?utm hp ref=new-york

36. September 5, KTXL 40 Sacramento – (California) 500 CHP officers are without dashboard cameras. Of the 2,400 patrol cars in the California Highway Patrol (CHP) fleet, only 1,900 are outfitted with a dashboard camera system, KTXL 40 Sacramento reported September 5. That means 500 State-funded cars leave CHP officers without a spare set of eyes. The two-camera system with an 18-hour DVD recorder and an audio pack for the officer costs more than \$3,000 per car. The dash-cams allow officers to record every stop, every time. "The minute the officer activates his overhead emergency lights to initiate an enforcement stop, the recording device begins to record," said a CHP officer. He said the cars without dash-cams typically do not make it on patrol and are used for escorting dignitaries or traffic control, though officers do take to the highways without the cameras. The camera program was phased in 2 years ago.

Source: http://www.fox40.com/news/headlines/ktxl-500-chp-officers-are-without-dashboard-cameras-20120905,0,6253165.story

37. September 5, CNN – (Massachusetts) Chemist in Boston lab scandal handled 50,000 drug samples. A chemist accused of failing to follow protocols at a Massachusetts crime lab had been involved in testing some 50,000 drug samples, potentially opening the door to a swath of legal challenges, officials said September 5. The list of samples was turned over to prosecutors and public defenders September 4. The samples were tested during the chemist's 9-year term at the facility, State authorities said. The samples were from an estimated 34,000 cases she worked on during her career. The forensic services director for the Committee for Public Counsel Services said investigators first learned of a breach in protocol in February over a June 2011 incident in which samples were incorrectly cataloged. The Boston lab certified drug samples for Massachusetts law enforcement before the governor ordered it closed August 30 in the wake of an investigation into the scandal. The State's Department of Public Health said it had "placed an additional lab supervisor on leave pending the outcome of our investigation."

Source: http://www.cnn.com/2012/09/05/us/massachusetts-chem-lab-scandal/index.html

38. September 5, Cedar Rapids Gazette – (Iowa) Report says nearness of nuke plant helped Cedar Rapids during flood. A new national study suggests that no lives were lost in Cedar Rapids, Iowa flood disaster of 2008 because of the proximity of the Duane Arnold Energy Center to Cedar Rapids and the requirement that comes with a nuclear power plant in the neighborhood to plan and train for a radiological disaster, the Cedar Rapids Gazette reported September 5. The study's report cited local emergency responders and health personnel who told the report's authors that preparation and planning for a possible emergency at the nuclear plant "played a large role" in avoiding deaths in the "different hazard" that the flood disaster in Cedar Rapids in 2008 turned out to be. The report, "Disaster Resilience: A National Imperative," is being published by the Committee on Science, Engineering, and Public Policy, a joint unit of the National Academy of Sciences, National Academy of Engineering, and the Institute of Medicine. The report concluded that a key way to reduce the impacts of disasters is "to invest in enhancing resilience." Doing so allows communities and the nation to better anticipate disasters and plan for losses from them.

Source: http://thegazette.com/2012/09/05/report-says-nearness-of-nuke-plant-helped-cedar-rapids-during-flood/

39. September 5, Associated Press – (Texas) 2 Texas prisons to get phone restriction devices. Two Texas prisons that have had serious problems with cellphones being smuggled to inmates are getting electronic help to block phone calls coming from inside the lockups, the Associated Press reported September 5. The new "managed access system" will allow calls from inside only to approved numbers, according to the Texas Department of Criminal Justice executive director. The Stiles Unit in Beaumont and the McConnell Unit in Beeville have seen the most contraband phones and will get the blocking system within about 6 months. The new technology intercepts cellphone signals and has the ability to block other unauthorized communication attempts, such as emails, texts, and Internet log-ons, the prison agency said September 5. It does not interfere with radio communications, 9-1-1 calls, or other approved electronic devices. The system works through the vendor that handles pay phone calls made by inmates in

all 111 State prisons.

Source: http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-501366_162-57506776/2-texas-prisons-to-get-phone-restriction-devices/

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Information Technology Sector

40. September 6, The Register – (International) Apple Java update fails to address megaflaw – researcher. Apple released an update for Java September 5, but it does not tackle a high-profile flaw that has become the target of attacks over recent weeks. Java for OS X 2012-005 and Java for Mac OS X 10.6 Update 10 offer patched versions of Java for OS X Lion and Mountain Lion systems that tackle CVE-2012-0547. However, this is a different problem than the CVE-2012-4681 bug currently targeting Java users, Krebs on Security reports.

Source: http://www.theregister.co.uk/2012/09/06/apple_java_update/

41. September 5, Ars Technica – (International) Apple denies giving iOS device identifier list to FBI. Apple denied giving a list of iOS unique device identifiers (UDIDs) to the FBI, according to a statement issued September 5. The statement follows previous claims from an Anonymous-offshoot group named AntiSec that a list of 12 million UDIDs were found on an FBI agent's laptop, though the FBI itself also denied collecting that information. Regardless of whether the FBI was collecting the data or not, a witch hunt began to find the real culprit of the leak — widely suspected to be a social networking company of some kind. A developer posted a survey for those who found their UDIDs on the leaked list (the UDIDs appear to be valid) in an attempt to find out where the data came from.

Source: http://arstechnica.com/apple/2012/09/apple-denies-giving-ios-device-identifier-list-to-fbi/

42. September 5, Threatpost – (International) New attack uses SSL/TLS information leak to hijack HTTPS sessions. There is a feature supported by the SSL/TLS encryption standard and used by most of the major browsers that leaks enough information about encrypted sessions to enable attackers decrypt users' supposedly protected cookies and hijack their sessions. The researchers who developed the attack that exploits this weakness said all versions of TLS are affected, including TLS 1.2, and the cipher suite used in the encrypted session makes no difference in the success of the attack. The attack was developed by the same pair of researchers who in 2011 released details of a similar attack on SSL/TLS and wrote a tool called BEAST, which also gave them the ability to decrypt users' cookies and hijack sessions with sensitive sites such as e-commerce or online banking sites.

Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/new-attack-uses-ssltls-information-leak-hijack-https-sessions-090512

43. September 5, Softpedia – (International) Finnish developer demos breaking into the OS X keychain. A software developer from Helsinki, Finland, wrote a comprehensive proof-of-concept regarding a design compromise in Apple's keychain implementation that sacrifices security over usability. He says Apple knows about it. Because OS X automatically unlocks a user's keychain for his/her convenience, "the root user is able to read all keychain secrets of logged-in users, unless they take extra steps to protect themselves," according to the researcher. The open source proof-of-concept confirms that this compromise can be exploited, "because this is an intentional design decision instead of a security bug."

Source: http://news.softpedia.com/news/Finnish-Developer-Demoes-Breaking-into-the-OS-X-Keychain-290196.shtml

- 44. September 5, Threatpost (International) Facebook Timeline eraser Chrome plugins dupe tens of thousands of users. Nearly 100,000 Facebook users were duped into installing third-party Chrome plugins over the past few weeks that have access to all of their data on every Web site they visit. According to research recently conducted by security firm Barracuda Networks, the unsuspecting users were tricked into thinking the plugins could block Timeline, a new profile feature Facebook first introduced at the end of 2011. While it does not appear the plugins are harvesting users' credentials, two of the three suspicious ones try to entice Facebook users into filling out a fake survey and joining a fake Facebook event in hopes of further spreading the plugin.

 Source: http://threatpost.com/en_us/blogs/facebook-timeline-eraser-chrome-plugins-dupe-tens-thousands-users-090512
- 45. September 5, ZDNet (International) Norton: Cybercrime cost \$110 billion last year. The yearly Norton Cybercrime report analyzes how cybercrime affects consumers, and how emerging technology including mobile and cloud computing impacts security. As mobile technology and bring your own device (BYOD) schemes insinuate themselves into the corporate sphere blending personal and professional communication businesses must take note. The 2012 report consists of more than 13,000 participants across 24 countries, aged 18-64, and says that U.S. consumers lost \$20.7 billion in 2011 after falling prey to cybercrime including attacks, malware, and phishing. Globally, the rate rose to \$110 billion in direct financial loss. An estimated 71 million people in the United States became cyber crime victims in 2011. Source: http://www.zdnet.com/norton-cybercrime-cost-110-billion-last-year-7000003745/

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Communications Sector

46. September 5, Contra Costa Times – (California) KVHS radio equipment overheats, knocks programming off the air. Studio equipment overheated, knocking KVHS 90.5 FM Concord off the air at Clayton Valley Charter High in Concord, California, the Contra Costa Times reported September 5. A former teacher was looking for new computer equipment to replace the hard drive that broke down when temperatures in the school studio reached more than 100 degrees.

Source: http://www.marinij.com/ci_21475463

47. September 5, Austin Daily Herald – (Minnesota) Storm topples KSMQ tower. A quick-moving storm with straight-line winds breezed through Austin, Minnesota, and knocked down a 440-foot transmitter tower. The tower, owned by KSMQ 15 Austin and leased to wireless providers fell down September 5, according to the KSMQ 15 Austin president and CEO. The radio station could be off the air for as long as 2 weeks, he said.

Source: http://www.austindailyherald.com/2012/09/05/storm-topples-ksmq-tower/

48. September 5, Nogales International – (Arizona) Towerstrike knocks KPUP radio off the air. Lightning is being blamed for damaging a radio tower that was utilized by the Patagonia, Arizona community radio station, Nogales International reported September 5. The president of KPUP 100.5 FM Patagonia said the non-profit station has been off the air for nearly 2 weeks. One of the station's founders said a team of climbers will have to make the repairs and/or replacements to the 75-foot-high tower located near the town reservoir behind the high school. He said those repairs could take another 4 weeks if all goes well.

Source: http://www.nogalesinternational.com/the_bulletin/news/towerstrike-knocks-kpup-radio-off-the-air/article_7f513c5e-f76e-11e1-9162-001a4bcf887a.html

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49. September 6, Niagara Gazette – (New York) Police storm apartment to end standoff. Police in Niagara Falls, New York, shut down Pine Avenue between 15th and 16th streets after shots were fired from an apartment complex, the Niagara Gazette reported September 6. Agents from the Border Patrol Buffalo Sector also helped close off the area to the public while Falls police activated their Emergency Response Team (ERT). The first officers on the scene said it appeared the shots were coming from a front apartment on the second floor of a three-story building. Residents of apartments located on the building's first and third floors were evacuated. Police negotiators established contact and then ERT officers took the suspect into custody. Police found a pair of assault rifles, two handguns, and spent shell casings in the apartment. An

official said it appeared that the suspect, who may suffer from mental issues, was firing shots at the vacant building next to his apartment building. The suspect was charged with third-degree criminal possession of a weapon and reckless endangerment. Source: http://niagara-gazette.com/local/x1863307416/Police-storm-apartment-to-end-standoff

50. September 6, Associated Press – (Alabama; Louisina; Mississippi) Isaac churned up old oil from BP spill in Louisiana, tests confirm. Laboratory tests showed that the globs of oil found on the two Louisiana beaches after Hurricane Isaac came from the 2010 British Petroleum (BP) spill in the Gulf of Mexico, the Associated Press reported September 6. Tests run by Louisiana State University for state wildlife officials confirmed that oil found on Elmer's Island and Brand Isle matched the biological fingerprint of the hundreds of millions of gallons of oil that leaked from BP's Macondo well. Waves from Hurricane Isaac uncovered oil previously buried along Gulf Coast beaches, exposing crude not cleaned up after the BP spill. Since Isaac made landfall, the water from the storm has receded and tar balls and oil were reported on shores in Alabama and Louisiana, where officials closed a 13-mile stretch of beach and restrict fishing along the shoreline, September 4. BP said September 5 some of that oil was from the spill, but said some of the crude may be from other sources. A BP spokesman said the company was working with the Coast Guard, state officials, and land managers to clean up the oil on Fourchon beach in Louisiana. In Alabama, officials said the tar was more of an unsightly nuisance than a health hazard. In Mississippi, officials spotted only a few dozen tar balls on beaches. Most have turned out to be reddish-brown bacteria.

Source: http://www.cbsnews.com/8301-201_162-57507123/oil-from-bp-spill-unearthed-by-hurricane-isaac-turns-up-on-beaches-in-louisiana-alabama/

51. September 5, Memphis Commercial Appeal – (Tennessee) Carbon monoxide leak leads to Germantown shopping center evacuation. Firefighters in HAZMAT trucks evacuated a shopping center in Germantown, Tennessee, the morning of September 5 after a carbon monoxide leak elevated gas levels 10 times above the normal range. Three people were transported to hospitals for evaluation after the leak was detected in the Germantown Collection shopping center, and several affected businesses were evacuated after customers at a Fantastic Sam's complained of a strange smell, the Germantown Fire Department said. Carbon monoxide readers detected gas levels 10 times higher than usual, said the fire marshal, and the readings did not return to normal levels for about 4 hours. A water heater behind a Chili's restaurant was discovered to be the culprit and the Chili's was closed while the fire department and Memphis, Light, Gas, and Water Division crews worked to clear the area. Though levels had returned to normal by the early evening, the Chili's could not operate without a hot water heater to wash dishes. The rest of the shops in the center reopened late the afternoon of September 5.

Source: http://www.commercialappeal.com/news/2012/sep/05/carbon-monoxide-leak-leads-to-germantown-02/

52. September 5, Oklahoman – (Oklahoma) Man arrested after Midwest City standoff amid fire, gunshot. A man who was upset about getting an eviction notice at an

apartment complex in Midwest City, Oklahoma, barricaded himself inside an apartment with a rifle and set the room on fire, said the assistant police chief September 5. The suspect was arrested on an arson complaint following a 3-hour standoff. The standoff started late September 4 at the Calico Corner Apartments, when the suspect had a dispute with a current tenant, a police captain said. The suspect chased the tenant out of the apartment and threatened to shoot anyone who came in after him. Police officers evacuated the apartment complex residents. The suspect fired several shots inside the apartment, but no one was hit by gunfire, the captain said. After about 3 hours, he said, the suspect set the apartment on fire. He then retreated from the fire and was arrested as firefighters put out the blaze. Damage was mostly contained to one unit, but other units were damaged by smoke and water.

Source: http://newsok.com/update-man-arrested-after-midwest-city-standoff-amid-fire-gunshot/article/3707158

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National Monuments and Icons Sector

53. September 6, Associated Press – (California) Rain aids battle against California forest fire. Firefighters braced for drier weather September 6 after remnants of a tropical storm helped them gain ground on a 4,180-acre blaze in the San Gabriel Mountains northeast of Los Angeles. Crews were able to double containment to 48 percent September 5. The temporary relief came courtesy of Tropical Storm John, which brought light rainfall, increased humidity, and cooler temperatures. An Angeles National Forest spokesman said the fire has been stopped along the southern containment line where structures were threatened and permanent residents of the small community of Camp Williams would be allowed to return to their homes September 6. As many as 12,000 people were asked to evacuate the area over the weekend of September 1. The blaze was expected to be fully surrounded September 13. At least five firefighters have sustained minor injuries.

 $\frac{http://www.google.com/hostednews/ap/article/ALeqM5jddmhd_ID1xSoMvZsmvA19PiscsQ?docId=9f4cd7c1dc9949d880011a229f8fc321}{csQ?docId=9f4cd7c1dc9949d880011a229f8fc321}$

54. September 6, WLUK 11 Green Bay – (Wisconsin) Investigators reveal marijuana grow site. A major multi-jurisdictional drug sweep August 29 busted up a growing operation which authorities had been investigating since June, WLUK 11 Green Bay reported September 6. The sites are located in the towns of Doty and Mountain along the Oconto River in Wisconsin's Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest. Seven people have been arrested and charged in connection with the case. All are accused of taking part in operating dozens of marijuana grow sites in the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest. Authorities originally said they found 15,000 plants worth about \$15 million. Then, the U.S. Forest Service revised that estimate saying officials found 8,385 marijuana plants along the Oconto River. They also took 125 to 150 pounds of processed marijuana. Indictments were returned September 5, and a jury trial was set

for November 5.

Source: http://www.fox11online.com/dpp/news/local/north counties/marijuana-grow-

site-shown-to-media

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Dams Sector

55. September 6, Wigan Today – (International) Dam danger alert. Safety fears were sparked after it was discovered that someone tried to steal railings protecting passers-by from a Wigan dam in Greater Manchester, England, Wigan Today reported September 6. About 14 nuts and bolts were removed from the bars, which act as a barrier along the footbridge across the dam in Coppull Lane. Anyone then leaning on the fence could find it giving way and them plunging into the water below. Also stolen were the bolts from metal grilling used as debris screens. It is thought the attempts were being made to steal the railings themselves to then sell for scrap. "They have also removed bolts from metal grills which slows the force of the water, so engineers need to weld it shut," an official said. A spokesman from the environment agency said, "We can confirm that a number of bolts and a grill have been removed from the debris screens and we are in the process of replacing these."

Source: http://www.wigantoday.net/news/local-news/dam-danger-alert-1-4901075

56. September 5, KMIR 6 Palm Springs – (California) Eagle Canyon dam to be built. The Riverside County, California, supervisor told business owners in Cathedral City affected by flooding the week of August 27, that building a new dam was top priority, KMIR 6 Palm Springs reported September 5. Officials announced that construction on the Eagle Canyon Dam is scheduled to begin in March 2013. The Riverside County Flood Control District will be working to get the \$10 million flood protection project completed in less than a year from the time it starts construction.

Source: http://www.kmir6.com/news/toprotator/168726736.html

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